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## §242.7 Responsibilities.

- (a) The President of the University shall:
- (1) Develop and prescribe formal application procedures for admission to the School, consistent with the provisions of this part.
- (2) Select candidates for admission to the School of Medicine in accordance with the policies and procedures prescribed in this part.
- (3) Coordinate, as required, with the Military Department Secretaries or their designees to ensure the proper administration of the admissions process.
- (4) Monitor, review, and evaluate the admissions process to assure its effectiveness and efficiency operationally, and make recommendations as required for the revision of the policies and procedures herein set forth.
- (b) Secretaries of the Military Departments shall:
- (1) Approve/disapprove requests of military personnel who want to apply to the School of Medicine, as prescribed herein.
- (2) Carry out confirmatory requirements and ensure that the suspense for accomplishing these actions is met.
- (3) Designate a representative in their respective areas to be responsible for overseeing and coordinating confirmatory action requirements. (Names of designees and any changes in designations shall be furnished to the President of USUHS.)
- (4) Ensure coordination of proposed implementing regulations with the President, USUHS.
- (c) Assistant Secretary of Defense Health Affairs shall determine, in coordination with the Secretaries of the Military Departments and the President, USUHS, the number of spaces in each entering class to be allocated to the respective components.
  - (d) Director, DoDMERB, shall:
- (1) Establish necessary policies and procedures, in coordination with the Military Departments, for scheduling and reviewing physical examinations for civilian selectees, and reviewing examinations for military selectees.
- (2) Review and take final action on any requests for waiver of physical standards for admission to the School.

§ 242.8 Academic, intellectual, and personal requirements for admission to the first-year class.

Admission to the School of Medicine of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences is on a competitive basis, with selection predicated on:

- (a) Evidence of sound character and high motivation for a career in the Medical Corps of the Uniformed Services, and
- (b) Evidence of sufficient intellectual ability and preparation to undertake successfully the study of medicine.
- (1) Academic requirements. Recognizing that Service medicine needs individuals with a wide variety of interests and talents, the School of Medicine welcomes applications from individuals with a diversity of educational backgrounds. However, there are certain specific academic requirements that are requisite for admission. These are as follows:
- (i) *College preparation.* All applicants must have attained a baccalaureate degree from an accredited academic institution prior to matriculation.
- (ii) Prerequisite course work. Area of specialization in college is not a limiting factor in gaining admission to the School, but a strong foundation in the sciences basic to the study of medicine is a requirement for all entering students. The minimum undergraduate science prerequisites for entrance are:
- (a) Chemistry (inorganic or general). 1 academic year including appropriate laboratory.
- (b) Organic chemistry. 1 academic year including laboratory.
- (c) Mathematics. 1 academic year.
- (d) Physics. 1 academic year including laboratory.
- (e) Biology. 1 academic year including laboratory.

An academic year of course work equates to that course work which extends over a two-semester or three-quarter period and carries a total credit of between 6 to 8 semester hours or 9 to 12 quarter hours. No application will be considered unless the applicant has completed the science prerequisites or is in the process of completing the last 8 semester hours (or 12 quarter hours) of these courses at time of making application.

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